

REMARKS

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page(s) is captioned "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made."

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, before the first line, please insert as a separate paragraph:

This application is the US national phase of international application

PCT/EP01/08756 filed 27 July 2001, which designated the US.

IN THE CLAIMS

3. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~each of the preceding claims~~ 1,
wherein the voltage of the pulses applied is controlled by the patient/user by
suitable means.

4. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~each of the preceding claims~~ 1,
characterised in
that it includes a pair of electrodes designed to transmit the said pulses, one of
which can be applied to the motor point and the other to the muscle belly in the
area to be treated.

5. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~each of the preceding claims~~ 1,
characterised in that the said means designed to transmit the said pulses include
devices able to vary the voltage, amplitude and frequency of the said pulses.

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6. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~each of the preceding claims 1,~~ characterised in that it includes means designed to regulate the amplitude and frequency of the pulses, which said means are activated directly by the patient.

17. (New) A method according to claim 16 wherein the patient is affected by a combination of vasculopathy and neuropathy.

18. (New) A method according to claim 17 wherein the patient is affected by diabetic food.